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GENEVA FOR PHELAN

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD

SUBJECT: TEXTILES: EC RESTRAINTS ON SILK AND LINEN AND
-- RUMORED CANADIAN RESTRAINTS ON LEATHER

REFS: STATE 77167, STATE 77242

1. REFTELS BEING REPEATED TO OTTAWA FOR INFO.
 2. FOR BRUSSELS AND GENEVA. IN COURSE OF MAKING
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REPRESENTATIONS CALLED FOR IN REFTELS, ADDRESSEES SHOULD
AVOID GIVING IMPRESSION THAT USG CONCERNS WOULD BE FULLY
SATISFIED IF EC PUTS SILK AND LINEN RESTRAINTS INTO
SEPARATE, NON-MFA BILATERALS. WHILE OUR MOST IMMEDIATE
CONCERN IS INDEED TO KEEP SUCH EXPANDED COVERAGE OUT OF
MFA-RELATED AGREEMENTS, PROTECTIONIST ELEMENTS IN US WOULD
PRESUMABLY NOT CARE WHAT UMBRELLA RESTRAINTS COME UNDER;

IF EC OR CANADA SHOULD NEGOTIATE BILATERAL RESTRAINT AGREEMENTS ON SILK, LINEN OR LEATHER, THIS WILL INCREASE PRESSURE ON US TO DO LIKEWISE WHETHER UNDER MFA OR NOT. ADDRESSEES SHOULD THUS SEEK TO HAVE EC REMOVE SILK AND LINEN FROM ITS TEXTILE BILATERALS, BUT SHOULD NOT RECOMMEND THAT SUCH RESTRAINTS BE INCORPORATED IN SEPARATE AGREEMENTS.

3. FOR OTTAWA. WE HAVE HEARD REPORTS THAT CANADA IS ATTEMPTING TO CONCLUDE TEXTILE BILATERALS WHICH INCLUDE LEATHER PRODUCTS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY LIGHT EMBASSY CAN SHED UPON THIS. IF REPORT APPEARS TO BE TRUE, EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE KNOWN TO GOC AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL THAT US WILL OPPOSE IN TSB ANY BILATERALS IN WHICH COVERAGE GOES BEYOND COTTON, WOOL AND MAN-MADE FIBER AS AUTHORIZED IN ARTICLE 12 OF MFA. THE CAVEAT OUTLINED IN PARA 2 ABOVE APPLIES HERE AS WELL. VANCE

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